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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

January 23, 2001

Sir:

Prior to initial examination of this application, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

## IN THE ABSTRACT

Please delete the Abstract in its entirety and replace it with the new Abstract of the Disclosure attached at the end of this Preliminary Amendment.

## IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the Specification as it relates to the attached English Language Translation.

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Please delete the header "Heimann Systems GmbH" and "E.HS.0200.DE Die/SP";

Please delete the date;

After the Title of the application insert the following header and subheader:

--BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

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FIELD OF THE INVENTION--;

Before line 4, insert the following subheader:

--RELATED ART--;

Before Line 13, insert the following header:

--SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--.

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Before line 12, insert the following header:

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--BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS--.

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Before line 1, insert the following header:

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--DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS--

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows: